

Transferring GITMO Detainees to Michigan

State Assisted Suicide

Self-Inflicted Terrorism

While terrorist plans for large-scale events including WMD are certainly in place...

They are preparing smaller-scale attacks by small groups with various small arms and planted explosives in populated buildings, particularly schools

We are about to incentivize them and focus their attention here by bringing GITMO detainees to US communities

Worst Case is About to be Realized

- Offshore detention facilities at scattered locations were created for good reasons
 - Keep the terrorists disaggregated
 - Lower potential value of any single location
 - Keep terrorist attention focused away from the US
 - Lower the profiles of “martyrs”
 - Geography as a natural defensive perimeter
- **Now we are reversing these strategic decisions and are setting up innocent citizens to be targets**

Targets of Retaliation

- Citizens in Detroit, Flint, Ann Arbor, etc., face a great risk despite their distance from Standish
- Urban concentration, large media market, and school densities are favorable attack factors
- State and local police, fire, and EMS assets will be hit with huge unfunded mandates
- Federal/Military installations always rely heavily upon local resources for physical security beyond their fences
- Such costs almost always result in higher local taxes or a severe degradation in services

Qualitative Difference in the Type of Prisoner Coming from GITMO

- The people held at Guantanamo include terrorist trainers, bomb-makers, extremist recruiters, operational planners, financiers, bodyguards of Osama bin Laden, and would-be suicide bombers
- Most are dedicated to continuing their missions when given the opportunity
- Many have repeatedly attacked GITMO guards and medical personnel
- Their idea of escaping is to reach a soft target to complete their dreams of martyrdom
- A large % of those released immediately revert back to terrorism

Incredible Security Burden Posed

- Distance to Federal Courthouses:
 - » Bay City 33 miles
 - » Flint 70 miles
 - » Port Huron 119 miles
 - » Ann Arbor 136 miles
 - » Detroit 140 miles
- Moussaoui trial turned parts of Alexandria, Va, into a virtual encampment. Every time he was moved to the courthouse, he was transferred in a heavily armed convoy that shut down traffic and locked down the surrounding community.
- Alexandria was full of heavily armed agents, rooftop snipers, bomb-sniffing dogs, blocked streets, identification checks and a fleet of television satellite trucks.

Michigan Will Become a Magnet for . . .

- Foreign & Domestic Terror Cells
- Activating Home Grown Terror Cells
- Encouraging Lone Wolf Terror Acts
- Attracting Terror Recruiting and Support Organizations such as Jamaat Al Fuquaa to the area
- Radical Organizations of the Left and Right
- Ridicule and fear that will further depress tourism and corporate flight
- **And Most Importantly . . . Hostage-taking terrorist acts aimed at freeing the Detainees**

Schools Are Among the Most Likely Targets

- Our Values
 - The most sacred thing to us are our children
 - Killing hundreds of children will boost the terrorist's morale and lower ours, leaving us stunned
- Our Lack of Preparation
 - Police deal with crime, but school attacks are war acts
 - Police are generally not prepared
 - Society hasn't come to grips with terrorism on U.S. soil

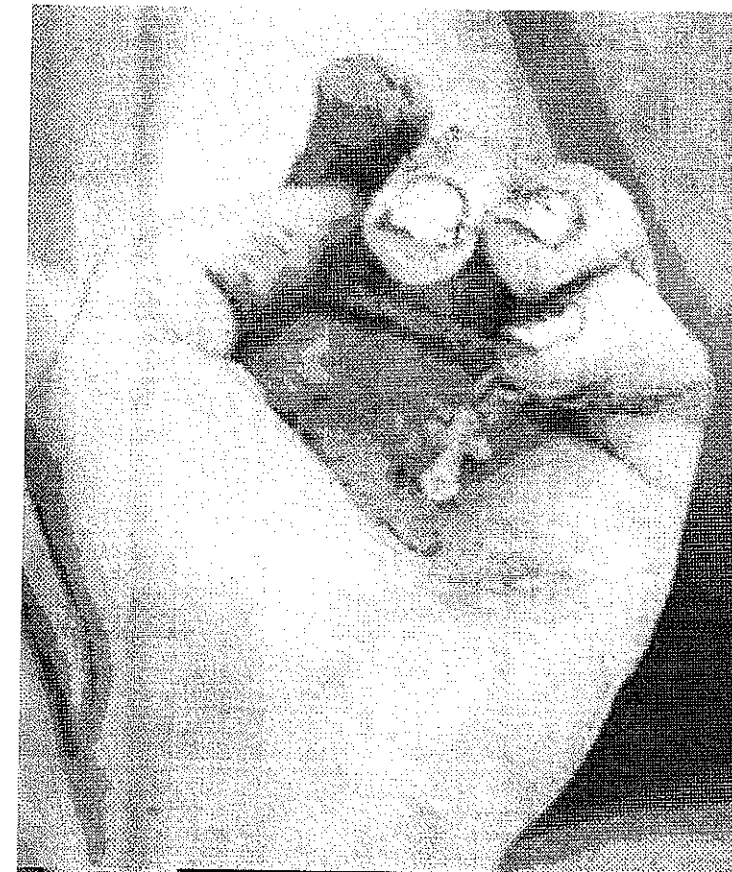
- al-Qaeda has said they have the right to kill millions of American children
- al-Qaeda terrorists have been video-taped practicing *school* takeovers and issuing commands in English
- Some Islamic religious literature condones killing children if it is done for the “general good”
- Target scouting and infiltration efforts have already reportedly occurred

The Beslam Example

- A dress rehearsal has already taken place in 2004 in Beslan, Russia where 172 children were killed
- In Beslan, over 1,000 people were held hostage by 100 terrorists for three days without food or water
- Secured building in 15 minutes
- Attempts at negotiation by responders were used by the terrorists to buy time to fortify the school
- All entrances and many stairwells were booby trapped with explosives
- Children were used as shields by snipers

The Dead Children





Schools Are Real Targets

- bin Laden has promised that Beslan will happen to the U.S. many times over
- First 6 months of 2006 alone: 204 schools attacked in Afghanistan
- 1984-1994: more than 300 schools attacked in Turkey
- Floor plans for schools in VA, TX and NJ have been recovered from terrorists in Iraq
- Terrorists have already been caught in the US compiling data on local law enforcement personnel, their families, their schools, and their residences

What's likely here?

- Terrorists striking simultaneously at multiple schools, or:
- a Beslan-type attack with fewer terrorists but better bombs
- Middle schools without a police presence are preferred
 - The girls are big enough to rape; the students are not big enough to fight back; staffed largely by females
- Schools with external surveillance cameras are preferred so terrorists can observe the LE response

Do We Want This in the US?

- It is driven by a simpleminded campaign promise to close GITMO by a date certain without the knowledge or experience of the implications, costs, or complications involved
- An attempt to save-face in light of their failure to outpace these detainees within other nations dumb enough or weak enough to take them while hiding the extortionate concessions in US tax dollars that will be paid to these “helpful” nations.
- Is a “Term-Limited” Governor selling out her State in exchange for a future Federal Appointment?